

HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI and HILLS DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION Inc
Minutes of Council Meeting held on February 16, 2009-02-17 at Asquith Bowling Club

Present

Executive:- Mark Rushton (chair), Geoff Hasler, Nathan Tilbury, David Toose, Andy Bayles, Bruce Kimberley, Steve Wilson, Bruce Wood, Bob Dewstow, Josh Brown. Brian Gibson

Delegates:- Josh Brown (Asquith RL), Scott Reid (Beecroft), Nathan Tilbury (Berowra), Phil Pearce and Michael Burgin (CHRSL), Martin Watts and Nick McIntosh (Glenhaven), David Lea and Richard Arnott (Kenthurst), Chris Roden-Smith (Kissing Pt), Brian Gibson and Bruce Kimberley (Mt Colah), John Corish (Normanhurst-Warrawee), Bob Dewstow, Chris Brown and Gavin Horne (St Ives), John McQuillan (Umpires), Deepak Narsai and Barry McDonald (WPHC),

Life Members:- Barry McDonald, Bruce Kimberley, David Toose and Andy Bayles

Also Present:- Ben Gussey (Executive Officer)

Apologies:- Murray Macdonald, Geoff Findlay, Clint Johnson

Motion to accept apologies. Seconded and carried

The chairman opened the meeting and requested that all attendees limit their drinking. He also reminded that staff of the club are required to let members out of the club following the meeting.

The chairman welcomed all to the meeting, particularly noting the attendance of four life members.

Previous Minutes

Motion to adopt as a true and fair record. Seconded and Carried

Matters Arising

nil

Correspondence

Incoming (external)

22/01/09: Baulkham Hills notice of receipt (\$6433)

31/01/09: Telstra Bill (\$127.75)

2/02/09: Hornsby Sports Council Agenda & minutes

Incoming (internal)

04/02/09: Nathan Tilbury to Ben Gussey: "Andrew Stanton dispensation request"

05/02/09: Melinda Brown to Ben Gussey; "Protest R12 A2 St Ives V ARL"

08/02/09: Col Griffin to Ben Gussey; "Forfeiture claim"

09/02/09: Kissing Point to Ben Gussey; "re. Colts"

10/02/09: Ross Anderson to Ben Gussey: "Denise Annetts acceptance of Patronage"

11/02/09: Ben Gussey to AC; "St Ives response to protest"

Invoices received: Redfield CC (\$620.55); Hornsby Heights Sports Club (\$6422) & Hornsby Cricket Club (\$6400); Galston Glenorie CC (\$3215.01).

Outgoing (external)

20/01/09: Ben Gussey to HSC; "Request for ground upgrades"

26/01/09: Mark Rushton to Joe & Annette Trieste; "Wholesale trophies"

28/01/09: Paul Hyam to Steve Mulally; "HK&HDCA Junior Census"

02/02/09: Ben Gussey to Denise Annetts; "Offer of Patronage"

02/02/09: Ben Gussey to Tom Richmond OAM; "Offer of Patronage"

02/02/09: Ben Gussey to Lisa Sthalekar; "Offer of Patronage"

04/02/09: Ben Gussey to Cricket NSW; "Census: Seniors & Juniors"

08/02/09: Mark Rushton to Howard Banie; "Beecroft V New Zealand Barbarians"

Outgoing (internal)

23/01/09: Invoice to All Clubs for 2008/09 Payment

28/01/09: D&D Summons; Normanhurst, Kissing Point, Castle Hill

11/02/09: Mark Rushton to Bob Dewstow "Re. Restrictions"

12/02/09: Ben Gussey to David Toose "Timesheet Payment week ending: 25/01/09"; \$500

12/02/09: Ben Gussey to David Toose "Timesheet Payment week ending: 01/02/09"; \$500

12/02/09: Ben Gussey to David Toose "Timesheet Payment week ending: 08/02/09"; \$475

Late Correspondence

1. Acceptance of Patronage from Mayor of BHSC
2. Acceptance of Patronage from Tom Richmond
3. Reminder from KMC of \$26,000 bill

REPORTS

Umpires

Mr Wood congratulated Mr Rushton on returning to umpiring 2 weeks ago.

He also reported that as the semis are soon approaching we will need all available qualified umpires. He added that he will be chasing clubs looking for their support on this matter.

Juniors

Mr Kimberley noted that the last round before the semis is coming up and that it is imperative that all results are submitted quickly.

The chairman asked if there were any injuries or cases of heat-stroke over the past two weeks. Mr Kimberley responded in the negative. Mr Kimberley noted that team managers are able to contact each as to the fitness of play and if there if there no agreement they must get to the ground.

Representative (read by Mr Gussey in the absence of Mr Johnson)

1) IDCA and President's Cup concluded yesterday with a complete washout of Round 6 games. The positions in the competitions in the various age groups were U/11 - 5th, U/12 - 4th, U/13 - 1st, U/14 - 2nd 7U/15 - 6th. Congratulations to Mark and Glenn who volunteered to coach a team that did not have player related to them and were successful in getting them to the top of the table.

2) A cheque for \$216.00 for IDCA U/15 rep fees to be forwarded to David Toose that was previously unsigned (I'll try to send this with Bruce Wood if he is going from the photo session to the meeting). Also spoke with Martin Watts yesterday, and he will forward the balance of Telegraph Shield fees - please record the amount.

3) Asquith Boys High School hall has been booked for Friday 1st May for the Junior and Representative Annual Presentation night from 6.00 to 10.00p.m. I would like to suggest that we have a senior official (secretary or president) of the premiership winning clubs on stage to present teams with their caps, amongst other dignitaries.

4) Please mention the showcase rep fixtures to be played on March 1st - Ross Turner Cup at Parklands and Glenn Hourigan Cup at Bannockburn.

Treasurer's Report

Mr Toose noted that the accounts are present if anyone wishes to peruse them

He noted the following payments:-

| Amount | To | For |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| \$1,900.00 | Executive Officer | February costs |
| \$314.00 | Broom Man | Covers |
| \$2,340.00 | Greg Chappell Centre | Kenthurst Balls |
| \$250.00 | KMC | Bannockburn Oval (GH Cup) |
| \$127.75 | Telstra | BJK Phone |

He also noted the following incomings:-

| Amount | From | For |
|------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| \$2,340.00 | Kenthurst | Balls |
| \$821.00 | Reps | Senior Fees |
| \$3,215.01 | Galston-Glenorie | Competition Levies |
| \$6,400.00 | Hornsby CC | Competition Levies |
| \$6,422.00 | Hornsby Heights Sports | Competition Levies |
| \$620.55 | Redfield | Competition Levies |
| \$4,908.40 | Asquith RL | Competition Levies |
| \$2,876.00 | Pennant Hills JCC | Competition Levies |
| \$448.00 | Northern District CC | Sponsorship/Umpires |
| \$5.50 | Mark Rushton | Law Book |
| \$216.00 | Reps | Rep Fees |

The chairman noted that the term deposit rollover is due soon.

Mr Toose noted that all clubs must pay their competition levies prior to the semis. As the next meeting will be in two weeks, the levies must be paid by that night.

Motion to approve all payments. Seconded and carried.

Mr Watts noted that there is still one player who has not paid his Telegraph Shield fees, and that Mr Johnson knows who this player is and is chasing him up.

President's Report

Mr Rushton noted that he umpired the Council Cup held during the week in very wet conditions, but that the game was completed.

Executive Officer's Report

Mr Gussey reported that the outstanding D&D matters have been dealt with

He also noted that the Playing field at John Purchase PS is to be expanded. The chairman noted the involvement of the WPHC CC in this endeavour.

Mr Gussey also noted that councils were not happy that turf matches were abandoned prior to the Saturday due to the heat.

He also noted his concerns at the varying scores between those rung through and those on MyCricket. He added that the scores on MyCricket will take precedent. The chairman noted that using the phone system is an expensive exercise and that we should move away from it to another method. Mr McQuillan noted that this matter was spoken about earlier in the season and that we were going to look at the issue for next season.

Senior Report

Mr Wilson submitted the following:-

1. The club championship as at end of round 12 is WPHC 1570, Kenthurst 1484, Berowra 1282, St Ives 1265, Kissing Pt 1242, Normanhurst-Warrawee 1164, CHRSL 1061, Asquith RL 997, and Hornsby 950
2. A very successful first President's Night was held on 2nd Feb, 209. There was plenty of of constructive criticism but also many ideas on how to further improve cricket in our area for years to come. The AC will now go and evaluate all thoughts and ideas, make recommendations for the clubs and full executive to consider and will then arrange for an SGM to be called very late this season for those recommendations to be accepted or otherwise. This will allow us all to focus on the new season with rules in place that everyone knows so that we can all move forward promoting our sport when new registrations start. He thanked all those who attended the Presidents Night. He added that it is hoped it can be expanded to include juniors and reps next season.
3. All minor breach penalties have been included in the MyCricket competition ladders. A major breach by a team in the C Grade competition will be discussed by the Executive tonight and if approved shall lead to a deduction of 12 competition points and possible action against a player in that team. All teams are reminded that in the case of a tie for any position after round 14, scorebooks MUST BE PRESENTED at or before the Council meeting for checking purposes. All teams are advised to ensure they update their match records in MyCricket ASAP and if they have any problems, they should immediately contact Brian Gibson or myself.

4. The John Hayne Cup will be played this season for 8 of the 27 teams who do not qualify for the semis. The matches will be played at both Foxglove and Montview Ovals (for logistical purposes) on Saturdays March 7 and 14. If your club/team wish to nominate, nominations will be accepted by myself by email up to and including the Council meeting following Round 14 or at that meeting. It is anticipated that the usual \$500 award will be presented to the winner. This competition has been extremely popular in the past two seasons with lots of fun. If required a ballot will be held for the eight teams to play this season. The ballot will be held at the Council Meeting following round 14. It is a handicapped competition, so it doesn't matter what grade your teams are in – they are eligible. The rules (same as last year) will be sent out ASAP

Motion to approve \$500 for the John Hayne Cup. Seconded and carried.

5. The following grounds have been (or are in the process of) being booked and finalised for the Semis and JHCup:-
Annangrove, Bannockburn, Berowra, Campbell, FC2, Dural, Foxglove Nth and Sth, Glenhaven, Greenway, Hassell, Headon, Howson, Kenthurst 1 and 2, Montview E and W, Mt Kuringai, Normanhurst, Northholm, Parklands, Sanuel King, LS1, Storey, The Glade, Thornleigh, Turramurra and Warrina St.
At this stage the Finals grounds in no particular order are :- Berowra, Kenthurst 1, Parklands, Storey, The Glade, Turramurra, Dural, Mt Kuringai, Normanhurst, and LS 1, with the five back-up grounds being:-
Kenthurst 2, Warrina St, Bannockburn, Thornleigh and Greenway.
More specific details will be announced at the completion of round 14 for the semi venues. Finals details will be announced after a review of all turf wickets and grounds after the semis.
Please note we have to “drip-feed” or release grounds when not required to all councils.
6. All clubs should now be aware that to register any player, they should now go through the Executive Officer (Ben) who will on-send the information to the AC for consideration and advise Ben of the decision. Ben will in turn advise all clubs.
7. It is hoped that all turf grounds will have covers and hessian at all grounds this weekend, if not before. Scissors or a sharp knife to cut the hessian at The Glade and Parklands this weekend would be good. We are still trying to organise a temporary trolley solution for Parklands. There will not be a trolley at The Glade for the remainder of the season, but 2 half covers which should be easy enough for both teams to store away. Thanks to Murray Macdonald who organised this big exercise and to Josh Brown and Scott Burrows for assisting in the moving of material and also to the Kenthurst club for storing 3 covers for us for a considerable period of time. Very much appreciated.

Finally, just a reminder, that although we are now definitely at the business end of the season, please don't put yourself in an uncompromising position with poor behaviour. Any poor behaviour (especially when umpires are present) may be reported and you risk not playing in the finals matches. Play hard but enjoy your cricket and good luck to all teams chasing a semi-final berth.

The chairman asked if Headon Park is to be used as a back up ground for the semis. Mr Wilson replied in the negative. Mr Corish asked if the lists of dispensations and ratings are on the website. Mr Gussey noted that they are, but you go through the “links” button.

The chairman asked about the procedure for approving new records. Mr Wilson noted that we need to sight the scorebooks. Mr Kimberley noted that this is the same for juniors.

Mr Lea asked about a claimed forfeit, adding that they haven't heard anything yet. The chairman noted that it is to be discussed in General Business.

Mr Reid asked if the restrictions apply in the JH Cup. Mr Wilson replied in the negative.

The chairman asked Mr Gibson if he had anything to report. Mr Gibson replied in the negative.

General Business

Mr Gussey noted that there are three player behaviour reports:-

1. Glenhaven v Berowra B1 Rd 13

The chairman read the letter. Mr Watts gave a brief synopsis of the Berowra player's behaviour including threatening and racist comments.

Motion to move to the Executive. Seconded and carried.

2. Berowra v Glenhaven B1 Rd 13

The chairman read the letter citing a serious racist comment from a Glenhaven player.

Motion to move to the Executive. Seconded and carried.

Both the above motions were then withdrawn, and replaced with a motion to move to the D&D Committee. Seconded and carried.

3. Normanhurst-Warrawee v Galston Glenorie D2

The chairman read the letter citing that the G-G wicketkeeper used foul language on day 2.

Motion to move to the D&D Committee. Seconded and carried

Mr Hasler requested that the three matters be heard as a matter of urgency.

Protests.

1. Rd.10 Kenthurst v WPHC B1 – Kenthurst claiming a forfeit.

Motion to move to the PM Comp Committee. Seconded and carried.

Mr Arnott asked when the matter be heard. The response was that it will be heard this week.

Mr Hasler noted that the AC had heard of the matter but as they hadn't received anything in writing they did not make a decision.

Mr Lea noted that Kenthurst had agreed to defer the match from the original date as WPHC had a couple of players unavailable due to Rep commitments. He also noted that both teams agreed to play the match at Dural Park on the deferred date, but that WPHC did not show up.

The chairman read the WPHC response. The chairman noted that the matter will go to the AC for determination.

2. Rd 12 ARL v St Ives

Mr Hasler reported that this matter has already been determined by the AC. He noted that the match was a two-dayer but that it coincided with a crossover of one-day matches. He reported that the AC had dismissed the protest.

3. WPHC v CHRSL

Mr Hasler reported that this match was in the same round as the above match. He added that it was a claim for forfeit. He added that the AC dismissed the claim.

Other Matters

Mr Hasler raised the matter of Item 7 from the previous minutes, regarding the letter from Mr Dewstow. He asked if the apology has been received. Mr Dewstow noted that he did not receive a letter from the Association until Feb 13. He added that the matter is being reviewed by others.

Mr Tilbury reported that Berowra didn't get a notification of the D&D matter against CHRSL and tendered apologies to CHRSL for people Berowra people not being in attendance.

There being no further matters, the meeting was closed

Next Meeting in two weeks